Calling All Young Wildlife Artists – Junior Duck Stamp! Contest Deadline March 23, 2013



JayCee Gray, age 16, of Ogden, Utah, won Utah Best-of-Show 2012 for her art titled, "Buoyant Bufflehead on Blue Bay"

Utah is once again calling for entries as part of the Federal Junior Duck Stamp program. Entries must be original and will be judged on both artistic merit and scientific accuracy with which specific waterfowl species are depicted. The contest serves a dual purpose, giving students a chance to use their artistic talents at the same time they learn about wildlife and conservation. The art competition is open to public, private and home-schooled Utah students.

Entries must be postmarked by March 23, 2013. Entry guidelines, including dimension requirements and an entry form, can be downloaded from http://www.fws.gov/juniorduck/ or call Kathi Stopher at 435-734-6438. Please mail entries to Bear River Migratory Bird Refuge, 2155 West Forest Street, Brigham City, UT 84302. Young artists in Kindergarten through grade 12 are invited to submit original artwork depicting North American waterfowl to the 2013 Utah Junior Duck Stamp Art Contest. Entries must be postmarked by March 23, 2013. For more information please contact Kathi Stopher@ kathi.stopher@fws.gov or 435-734-6438.

Please mail entries to Bear River Migratory Bird Refuge, 2155 West Forest Street, Brigham City, UT 84302. Be sure to visit Bear River Refuge, March 9, 11-3, for Swan Day and ideas on creating wildlife art – Teachers, receive a special JDS Art Contest packet!